

## LAY THEIR CASES BEFORE PRESIDENT WILSON TODAY

### DEADLOCK THAT THREATENS NATION-WIDE STRIKE

### MAY PROPOSE SPECIAL ARBITRATION

First Came 35 Representatives of the Brotherhoods Who Conferred with the President About 10 O'clock.—Brotherhood Men Firm in Their Determination Not to Accept Arbitration Under the Newlands Act, as They Claim They Do Not Have a Fair Opportunity With the Arbitrators.—The President Will Probably Recognize That View.

Washington, Aug. 14.—The railroad managers and brotherhood leaders, deadlocked in their negotiations, which threaten a nationwide strike, today laid their case before President Wilson.

First came 35 representatives of the brotherhoods who conferred with the President shortly after 10 o'clock. They were followed by a committee of the railroad managers.

The brotherhood men went into conference firm in their determination not to accept an arbitration under the Newlands act, which they contended has always furnished arbitrators before whom the men did not have an unprejudiced opportunity.

There were some indications that the President, recognizing that view, might propose special arbitration before the board of 12 members on which the four brotherhoods could be represented.

The President's plan was to appeal to the managers and men on highest patriotic grounds to find a way of composing the differences without a strike.

Was With the President for Two Hours.

Washington, Aug. 14.—After being with President Wilson two hours, the representatives of the men left the White House and Mr. Garretson said he expected to see the President again later in the day, after he had conferred with the managers. Mr. Garretson refused to say whether the outlook was hopeful.

"As long as the matter is in President Wilson's hands we will have no statement to make," said Mr. Garretson.

President Wilson immediately sent for the railroad managers to lay before them the position of the workmen.

It was arranged that the managers should see President Wilson at 3 o'clock, and meanwhile the President was to keep one or two other important engagements, including one with Mr. Chambers of the mediation board.

It was said that no indication would be given of the progress of the negotiations until after the President sees the managers.

Outlook Hopeful.

Mr. Garretson was asked whether negotiations were off. He replied: "Absolutely not."

While no ground for the feeling was given, administration officials expressed confidence that the President's intervention would result in averting a strike.

One of the leaders of the four brotherhoods, after leaving the White House, characterized the conference with the President as "most encouraging," and declared "the outlook for prevention of a general strike was hopeful."

Strike, If Called, Will Be Directed From New York.

New York, Aug. 14.—If President Wilson fails to persuade the railroad men and their employers to settle their differences and a general strike is called, it will be directed from headquarters in this city. This announcement was made today as the leaders of the four big brotherhoods and railroad managers reached Washington for a conference with President Wilson.

At the brotherhood headquarters it was said that all preparations had been made for putting into effect a strike that would stop every train, passenger and freight, on the 225 railroad systems of the United States. The extent of the strike is indicated by the anxiety displayed in every big industry which will be crippled by the stoppage of transportation.

A Letter Dispatch.

Washington, Aug. 14.—Prospects for averting a nation-wide railroad strike are at least the formulation of some tentative program to be the ground work of further negotiations. President Wilson today after President Wilson had conferred with the 35 chiefs of the three brotherhoods.

After the conference the brother-

## REPUBLICANS MEET.

### County Convention Was Held at Court House Saturday Afternoon.

The County Republican Convention, which was largely attended, met Saturday afternoon at the court house. Hon. H. S. Williams acted as temporary chairman, with Messrs. W. J. Weddington and C. R. Andrews as secretaries. Upon motion the temporary organization was made permanent.

The business of naming a county ticket was taken up, and the following candidates selected: For House of Representatives, T. M. Widenhouse; for Sheriff, Howard W. Caldwell; for Register of Deeds, James F. Harris; for Coroner, Carl Spears; for Cotton Weigher, J. W. White; for County Commissioners, L. A. Weddington, A. W. Moose, W. H. Oglesby, J. Frank Goodman and W. A. Castor.

For the State Senate the convention endorsed Messrs. A. N. James, of Mt. Pleasant, and Cliff Newell, of Charlotte.

Mr. J. M. Burrage was elected chairman of the County Republican Executive Committee.

Following the business of the convention, Hon. A. H. Priece, of Salisbury, delivered an address, which was received with much enthusiasm.

## MR. ROWE DECLINES CALL

### To the Pastorate of Trinity Reformed Church Here.

Rev. Walter W. Rowe, of Newton, who recently was sent a call to the pastorate of Trinity Reformed Church here, has notified the congregation that he will be unable to accept the call. Mr. Rowe is at present pastor of the Reformed Church at Newton and also a member of the faculty of Catawba College. It was on account of the fact that he felt that he could not relinquish his work at the college that he declined the call to the church here. The Newton correspondent of the Greensboro News has the following in regard to Mr. Rowe:

"Mr. Rowe makes this decision at a financial sacrifice, and relinquishes inviting prospects in a wider field, but finds peculiar pleasure in according to the wishes of Catawba College students, who especially insisted that he remain here, and whose protest against his leaving joined that of his church in such force that he could not accept the flattering Concord invitation."

The congregation of Trinity Church here has as yet taken no steps to make another call for a pastor.

## ANOTHER WEST INDIAN HURRICANE REPORTED

### Not Known Now Where It is or How Powerful It Is.—First Felt Sunday.

Washington, Aug. 14.—The presence of another West Indian hurricane caused the Weather Bureau today to issue a warning to shipping.

No definite information as to the location or the intensity of the tropical disturbance could be obtained other than that it is in the central Caribbean Sea, and the probable movement is westward.

The disturbance was first reported from St. Kitts, in Winward Island Sunday morning, as being in the eastern portion of the Caribbean Sea.

The usual path of such West Indian hurricanes is northwesterly and the points on the Gulf coast of the United States were warned to be ready for the storm.

## THE FLOOD RELIEF FUND

### Has Now Reached the Sum of \$898.44 Rocky River Sends \$16.70.

The fund being raised by the Tribune and Times for the relief of the flood sufferers has now reached the sum of \$918.44. The following have contributed since our last report: Previously acknowledged \$877.24 C. A. Fink, Wichita, Texas 1.00 D. L. Lipe 1.00 American La France Fire Engine Co. 2.50 Rocky River Church 16.70 Total \$898.44

## To Clean Up Rocky River Graveyard

All persons interested are asked to meet at Rocky River Church Wednesday morning August 16, at eight o'clock for the purpose of cleaning up the graveyard. It is desired that as many men as possible be on hand at the above hour, as those in charge wish to have the work done on that day.

## New Case of Infantile Paralysis at Durham.

(By The Associated Press) Durham, Aug. 14.—One new case of infantile paralysis developed in East Durham, a suburb of the city of Durham, today. Miss Isabelle Cameron, who has been ill with the disease for several weeks, has practically recovered.

## NO. 12 TOWNSHIP S. S. CONVENTION.

### Held at Central Graded School Building Yesterday Afternoon and Last Night.

The Sunday School Convention of No. 12 township was held at the Central Graded School building yesterday.

The sessions were presided over by Prof. S. A. Wolff, President. At the afternoon meeting devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. B. S. Dasher. The discussion on "A Sunday School Scholar for Every Church Member" was led by Rev. C. M. Short, followed by Rev. H. F. Beaty, Rev. E. K. Brady, and Messrs. J. L. Crowell and C. S. Smart. Rev. Dr. Wicker, of Elon College, who was present, also made some stirring remarks on this subject.

Prof. A. S. Webb, Rev. R. K. Brady and Mr. V. L. Norman were appointed a committee to nominate officers for the ensuing year to report at the evening session.

### Evening Session.

The devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. M. F. Moores.

Prof. Webb for the committee reported recommending the following officers for the coming year:

President—C. S. Smart.  
Vice President—R. E. Ridenhour.  
Secretary and Treasurer—D. C. Caldwell.

Executive Committee: D. B. Coltrane, J. C. Fink, Paul Ridenhour, Lonnie Crooks, J. H. A. Holsinger.

Several selections were delightfully rendered by an orchestra composed of Miss Josephine Atkins, Mr. C. A. Workman, and Mr. Henry Smith, with Miss Janie Patterson at the piano.

The subject for discussion for the evening session was "The Value of Real Sunday School Work," and was discussed by Messrs. D. B. Coltrane and J. L. Yost. Rev. H. F. Beaty and Rev. R. E. Loven. Dr. Wicker was again called on and made another most highly interesting talk. Dr. Wicker said the problem of the Sunday school is to save the people in this city, who are not in the Sunday school. And if they are saved, he said, they must be saved through the present membership of the Sunday school. In doing this work three things are necessary, namely:

First—Know. We must know the facts, what we are doing, what we ought to do, and what are our responsibilities.

Second—Glow. We must glow with enthusiasm and with an intense desire to bring things to pass.

Third—Go. We may have all the theories possible, but if we do not make them go they are of little value. We must accomplish things by systematic efforts, enthusiasm and intelligent direction.

## COURT THIS WEEK.

### Judge Carter, of Asheville, Presides.

### Names of Members of Grand Jury.

The regular August term of Cabarrus County Superior Court convened this morning, with Judge Frank Carter, of Asheville, presiding.

The Grand Jurors are as follows: J. F. Troutman, foreman, Wm. Sides, J. A. Kennett, R. A. Barringer, Joe S. Litaker, G. M. Moore, Geo. W. Blackwelder, E. C. Mooring, Ingle O. Cook, R. M. Troutman, R. L. Reed, E. Y. Misenerheimer, A. M. Allman, Roy Dorton, W. C. Graham, W. D. Melchor, J. C. McEachern and W. L. Basinger.

Up to the noon recess the court had taken up the case of State against D. M. Sherwood and O. S. Smith, charged with assault. The defendants submitted to a charge of simple assault and the case did not go to the jury. Sentence will be passed later.

## Final Decision on Sale of Islands is Delayed.

Copenhagen, Aug. 12, via London.—The final decision on the sale of the Danish West Indies to the United States may be postponed nearly a month if the proposal of radical and socialist members of the Folketing for a plebiscite is adopted on Monday.

The proposal of the radicals and socialists calls for the approval of the cession treaty between Denmark and the United States by parliament. The approval by parliament, however, will become effective only if it is ratified by a majority vote of the plebiscite which is to be held within three weeks.

## Body in River Thought to Be That of Negro Convict.

Spencer, Aug. 13.—The body of an unidentified negro man has been found in the Yadkin River, near Spencer. Farmers who found the body reported to Sheriff Krider, but no inquest was held, as there were no marks of foul play.

Because of an iron band around an ankle, it is believed he escaped from the State prison forces at Badin last week.

## PHONE US THE NEWS.

## RUSSIANS PUSHING AUSTRIANS TOWARD LEMBERG

### NEW MANAGEMENT TAKES CHARGE.

### Messrs. McDaniels and Marsh Arrive This Morning to Take Charge of the Strand.

The Strand Theatre will open this afternoon at 3:00 P. M. under the new management with high class vaudeville and motion pictures. Mr. W. J. McDaniel, of Salisbury, who has been connected with the Colonial Theatre of that city, has taken over the Strand Theatre here, and he promises that the amusement loving people of Concord have many treats in store for them during the coming season. At the recent meeting of the Virginia-Carolina Vaudeville Managers at Ocean View the managers made arrangements whereby twenty or more houses in this part of North Carolina and Virginia were to get a better class of shows than have ever been in this vicinity. Each show that plays this circuit will have to make good in the first house it plays and if it does not it will not be booked for any of the other houses. The management of the Strand has made arrangements where by this house is to get those shows after they have played all the other houses and in this way they are assured that nothing but the best of shows will come to Concord.

The show that opens this afternoon is one of unusual merit coming to Concord after a week stand in Salisbury. It more than pleased all who saw it. Mile Margaret Manell comes as special added attraction. She has just finished a tour of the Keith houses in the large cities and the management was able to secure her only to break her jump from Atlanta to New York. Mile Manell has a good singing voice and a fine selection of songs which she puts over in a way that wins the approval of all who hear her.

Avery Coughlan Otto Trio, three men whose harmony singing won for them the approval of both the press and public in Salisbury, last week. They came to Salisbury direct from an engagement of ten weeks at one of the large picture houses in Atlanta, where they pleased large audiences every day.

A five reel Mutual Masterpicture will be shown at every performance which is alone worth the price of admission.

### SAY AMERICANS SEEK TO FORCE INTERVENTION

### Mexicans in Chihuahua District Declare Owners Refuse to Operate Their Mines.

Chihuahua City, Mexico, Aug. 13.—Charges are circulated even in official circles that American mining and other concerns with properties in Mexico are refusing to operate in order to help bring about intervention it was learned today.

With plenty of work and food de factor government officers say the prevalent tendency of the poorer classes to turn to banditry would disappear. It is said that resumption of work at the various mining camps could be accomplished without danger, as only small bandit groups are now in existence, while large garrisons are available for all properties.

### REPORT OF SINKING OF DEUTSCHLAND DENIED

### Captain of French Cruiser Discredits Street Rumors Laid to One of His Orderlies.

Pensacola, Fla., Aug. 17.—Captain Leskivitz, of the French armored cruiser Admiral Aube, which arrived here this afternoon, denied street rumors, which were credited to one of his orderlies to the effect that the Admiral Aube had received a wireless message Tuesday from a British patrol boat on the Atlantic Coast, stating that the patrol boat had sunk the German merchant submarine, Deutschland, on August 8.

The captain asserted he had received no information whatever that the Deutschland had been sunk and that all such reports were absolutely false.

### President Says Strike Must Be Avoided.

Washington, Aug. 12.—President Wilson was in communication by telephone with the Federal Mediation Board and asked that he be informed if a strike became imminent.

The President informed the mediation board that a strike must be avoided, and if a headlock is reached he would like an opportunity to talk to representatives of the railroad managers and employees.

Every man is supposed to be the architect of his own fortune, but many of them forget to build.

### BOTH FLANKS ARE UNDER HEAVY PRESSURE.

### THE CENTRE IS NONE TOO SECURE

### Austrian Army on Lemberg Front Under Heavy Pressure, And Military Observers Say It Has None to Secure a Position in Its Rear Along Upper Zlota Lips, To Which It Is Said to be Retreating.—Petrograd Announces New Gains on Northern Wing of This Front.—The Italians Make Further Progress on the Carso Plateau.

(By The Associated Press) The Russian drive in Galicia is rapidly pushing the Austro-German armies backward toward Lemberg.

Both flanks of the Austrian army on the Lemberg front are under heavy pressure, and its center forced from line on the Strips, is believed by military observers in allied capitals, to have none too secure a position in its rear along upper Zlota Lips, to which it is presumed to be retreating.

Petrograd announces new gains on the northern wing of this front, on upper Serezh, while to the south the Russians are continuing their drive up the Dniester. Russian armies in the center also are pursuing the Austrians in middle Strips and Koropice regions.

Continuing their advance from Gorizia on the Isonzo front, the Italians made further progress on the Carso plateau to the southeast.

Following the usual course, the Germans have launched a counter attack west of Pozieres.

### COTTON TODAY SHOWS RENEWED FIRMNESS

### In Response to Strong Cables and Bullish Crop Advice.

(By The Associated Press)

New York, Aug. 14.—The cotton market showed renewed firmness this morning in response to strong cables and bullish crop advice. At the opening an advance of 15 to 18 points carried prices 25 to 30 points above the low level of Saturday morning and attracted a good deal of realizing, but the offerings were very well absorbed by setbacks of 5 to 6 points and the market soon worked above the opening figures on renewing of general buying.

Cotton futures opened firm: August, 14.12 bid; October, 14.30; December, 14.47; January, 14.58; March, 14.74; May, 14.85.

### ANOTHER GOOD TURN IN PARALYSIS PLAGUE

### Only Ninety-five New Cases and 31 Deaths During Last Day.

(By The Associated Press)

New York, Aug. 14.—The epidemic of infantile paralysis took a turn for the better today. The number of new cases reported by the health department went under the hundred mark for the first time in several weeks. During the 24 hours ending at 10 a. m. the plague killed 31 children and 95 new cases were reported. The falling off in cases is attributed to cooler weather.

### THE WHEAT MARKET.

### Lower Today Because of Estimate of Big Crop in Canada.

(By The Associated Press)

Chicago, Aug. 14.—Wheat opened 7.8 to 1.2.8 lower today, principally because the Canadian estimate of the Dominion crop of 239,993,000 bushels September opened at 142 to 141 5.8, touched 141 and then reacted to 141 1.2.

### Narrow Escape From Being Dynamited.

Mr. Maek Bradford had a narrow escape from being dynamited this morning as he was driving his car up West Corbin street. Major W. A. Foil, who is doing some grading in front of the W. M. Smith property, had just touched off a charge of dynamite, and had sent his sentinels out to stop anyone coming west. Mr. Bradford did not understand their signals when they motioned to him to stop, but continued on his way. When exactly opposite the spot where the charge was, the dynamite exploded, hurling a mass of earth and rocks into the road. Fortunately none of the missiles struck the driver, but the machine was badly dented, one tire torn up, and other damage done.